

US Fish and Wildlife Service

SUMMARY OF WILDLIFE RESTORATION



Washington 2005

Division of Federal Aid

September 27, 2005



W-41-D-55

Habitat Development

Objectives of this grant are to establish and continue statewide cooperative landowner access/ habitat development programs for upland game birds to enhance habitat and expand hunter access.

This grant benefits wildlife by maintaining and increasing upland game bird populations and enhancing their habitats. It also improves hunting opportunities that have been reduced over time. Project involves many partners including the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife: US Fish and Wildlife Service, Corps of Engineers, Washington Department of Transportation, U.S. Department of Agriculture, private landowners, and volunteers.

Beginning Date: 07/01/2005

Ending Date: 06/30/2006

Federal Cost: \$ 521,404.00

Congressional District(s): 04, 05

W-42-L-54

Statewide Lease of Lands

The objectives of this grant are to lease wildlife and recreational management lands from the Department of Natural Resources, which are inholdings within the Columbia Basin Wildlife area; and to pay in-lieu taxes for 11 State Wildlife Areas. This grant increases the amount of land available to wildlife and wildlife users adjacent to and within the boundaries of wildlife management areas and protects these lands from management activities that are incompatible with wildlife area plans.

Beginning Date: 07/01/2005

Ending Date: 06/30/2006

Federal Cost: \$ 191,347.00

Congressional District(s): All

W-83-HS-35

Hunter Education (Section 4 and 10 funds)

Objectives:

New activities for this Grant period include:

1. Revised student manual
 2. Internet access to home study materials
 3. Minority outreach - recruiting students and instructors from Hispanic population
 4. Instructor recognition 'special hunt' opportunities
 5. New Instructor support: mentor approach in selected population centers
 6. Staff involvement in Instructor Association activities
- On-going Hunter education Objectives include:
- * To reduce hunting related incidents involving firearms and other hunting implements
 - * To instill in hunter education students and in the general public an awareness of their responsibilities as hunters with particular emphasis on respect for private and public property and the rights of others
 - * To enhance student and general public understanding of the basic principles of wildlife habitat and conservation
 - * To develop and/or upgrade student and general public knowledge about and proficiency skills with the safe use of hunting equipment
 - * To recruit, train and retrain qualified volunteer instructors to conduct firearm and other safety education programs statewide
 - * To recognize in a public manner the accomplishments and contributions of certified hunter education instructors
 - * To instill in all hunters the concepts of lifelong learning about equipment, safety, wildlife, habitat, and wildlife laws, rules, and regulations.

The education program contains specific problem statement/strategy/results/benefits/approach for the following categories:

Curriculum Live firing Field courses
Bowhunter Education Trapper Education Advanced Hunter Ed
Instructor recruitment Instructor staffing Pre-service training
In Service Training Recognition Hunting accident reporting
Alternative education Range construction Administration

Beginning Date: 07/01/2005

Ending Date: 06/30/2006

Federal Cost: \$ 575,786.00

Congressional District(s): All

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W-94-D-23

Wildlife Area Program

Objectives of this grant are to manage Wildlife Area contract lands in order to meet one or more of the following: to protect or increase particular wildlife species; to protect or improve existing habitat condition or replace lost habitats; to increase wildlife-related recreational opportunity.

Benefits from the grant include maintaining Washington's biodiversity through protection of critical habitats; protection of winter range for deer and elk and other game species, which allows populations to remain stable or increase; and wildlife associated recreational opportunities (hunting/viewing) for the public is provided on over 800,000 acres of state owned or controlled lands.

Beginning Date: 07/01/2005

Ending Date: 06/30/2006

Federal Cost: \$ 1,060,854.00

Congressional District(s): All

W-98-E-5

Section 10 Shooting Range

State-wide shooting Range grants for shooting range improvements.

Administer Shooting range grant process including solicitation, evaluation, ranking and funding of successful applicants. Citizen committee assists with application process.

No administrative charges. Full \$50K will be applied to range improvements statewide.

Compliance will be initiated/submitted on a case by case basis depending on the type of improvement activity funded. Majority of projects are minor improvements to existing facilities.

Beginning Date: 07/01/2005

Ending Date: 09/30/2006

Federal Cost: \$ 50,000.00

Congressional District(s): All